

# USACE Permit Notification

Reference Number: NWS- 2016-1171-

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## Greetings

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has received a permit application for the following actions:

The applicant proposes to replace a water crossing for habitat restoration in Salmon Creek (106 linear feet of waterbody impacted). The applicant would remove a fish passage barrier (pipe arch culvert, 60 feet long) and install a pre-stressed concrete bridge (80 feet by 20 feet). For project construction, stream bypass, fish exclusion, and temporary erosion and sediment controls would be implemented. The existing fill and culvert would be excavated and the streambed graded [1,175 cubic yards (cy) excavation below the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM)]. Five trees would also be removed to implement the project. For the installation of the bridge and reconstructing the streambed, the following fill material would be placed below OHWM: 528 cy streambed material, 302 cy heavy loose riprap, and 97 cy filter blanket. One large woody debris structure and native plantings (including live willow stakes) would also be installed.

The purpose of the project is to restore fish passage and improve aquatic habitat.

**Lead Agency-if not USACE:** USFWS

**Name of Applicant:** Jefferson County Dept of Public Works

**Type of Permit:** ☒ Nationwide 27, ☐ Regional General ☐ Letter of Permission

**Location** In Salmon Creek at/near Port Townsend Jefferson Co., Washington

**Proj Latitude:** 47.980548 **Longitude:** -122.896504

**Township:** 29 **Range:** 2 **Section:** 26

## Endangered Species Act, Section 7:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the lead Federal agency for compliance with the ESA.

## Essential Fish Habitat (EFH):

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the lead Federal agency for compliance with EFH.

## Fisheries:

The Corps is assessing potential impacts to usual and accustomed fishing practices, tribal fisheries, and fisheries habitat in the project area. We are requesting your comments.

## Cultural/Historic Resources:

The Corps is not the lead agency for Section 106 consultation. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the lead Federal agency for compliance with NHPA.

## Response Deadline:

Please note, we will assume that you have no comments and no objections to the permit application if we do not receive a response to this notification within 10 calendar days.

You may also request an extension of 15 calendar days if you intend to provide substantive, site-specific comments, but the request must be submitted within the comment period listed above. If notified of the time extension request, we will wait until the close of the time extension period before making a permit decision. We will fully consider all comments received.

## Additional Information:

Attached is a set of project drawings. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely

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